

SUBJECT: WAR PLANNERS' CONFERENCES

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For such conferences in the future, based on experience gained from this Conference, suggest consideration of the comments offered to the following points:

a. For the first time, the DD/S elements were fully integrated into the Conference.

COMMENT: This should be retained.

b. DD/S made formal presentation, opened by the DD/S and followed by SPA-DD/S and representatives of each DD/S Office.

COMMENT: Too many speakers. Suggest that the DD/S portion be opened by general comments by the DD/S or the SPA-DD/S, but not both. Secondly, that not more than one person speak from each Office and, if possible, have one speaker talk in behalf of several of the Offices, i.e., one speaker could cover Medical Staff, Office of the Comptroller, and Office of Security. Another speaker could cover the Offices of Training and Personnel, and the Offices of Logistics and Communications could be handled separately, for reason that presentations were brief summaries restating the policies of the offices and their missions, and there were no question periods. The question and answer periods were specifically scheduled in the seminars which, during this conference, were scheduled for each DD/S Office with all visiting war planners.

Even though our efforts appeared to be cumbersome, as indicated above, the DD/S participation was quite well received and we have received only favorable comments.

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